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For:

DESIGN VARIABLE OPTIMIZATION SYSTEM AND DESIGN VARIABLE

OPTIMIZATION METHOD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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